

I N T R O D U C T I O N

This report contains facts relating to existing and needed community facilities within the bounds of the Star^{1/} planning area. Each of the facilities noted in this report serves a specific need of the community. Each facility is fundamental to Star's present health and future growth. All have important effects upon the community's appearance, convenience, safety and general livability. These facilities provide a wide range of services including such things as fire protection, health care, educational, cultural and utility needs and provide the kind of environment, services and conveniences demanded by the discriminating Star inhabitant and worker.

A plan for community facilities can serve many purposes. A clear understanding of what now exists and is needed for tomorrow will enable the Town of Star more easily to appreciate the need to acquire the necessary facility sites while good locations are still available at not overly inflated prices. The Plan will also encourage long range capital programming for each affected department in order that the construction of new physical facilities can be worked into future budgeting with a minimum of difficulty. Finally, it could very well be useful in assisting the town officials to articulate and secure the attainment of a valid set of civic goals.

^{1/} That area, as defined in the Star Land Development Plan, includes the corporate limits and the fringe area one mile beyond.